TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

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Subject(s)

SRM 103, Staff Qualifications and Training

- 1. Program specific transfer training (PSTT) exams.
- 2. Staff education and experience requirements.
- 3. Child Welfare Certificate (CWC) training requirements and caseload progression.

1) Program Specific Transfer Training (PSTT) Exams

Staff are not required to complete a competency-based exam in order to pass PSTT.

Reason: Office of Workforce Development and Training (OWDT) recommendation.

2) Staff Education and Experience Requirements

Qualifying Degrees

The list of qualifying degrees for MDHHS and private agency caseload-carrying staff, supervisors, and specialized support staff has been updated and is now included in SRM 103, Staff Qualifications and Training.

Reason: Children's Services Agency (CSA) recommendation.

Verification of Education and Experience Requirements

Compliance with education and experience requirements contained in <u>SRM 103</u>, <u>Staff Qualifications and Training</u>, will be monitored through Division of Child Welfare Licensing (DCWL) reviews. Agencies are no longer required to submit transcripts and/or resumes to Child Welfare Services and Support (CWSS) prior to staff attending required training for their position.

Reason: CSA recommendation.

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Experience Requirements for Supervisors

MDHHS and private agency child welfare supervisors must have three years of experience in a child welfare agency, a child caring institution, or in an agency performing a child welfare function. Previously, supervisors with a qualifying bachelor's degree were required to possess four years of experience, while supervisors with a qualifying master's degree were required to possess three years of experience.

Reason: CSA recommendation.

3) Child Welfare Certificate (CWC) Training Requirements

Staff who possess a child welfare certificate (CWC) from an endorsed university are required to complete PSI-CWC training within 112 days of hire.

Reason: OWDT clarification.

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